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## **Request for Substitute Papers**

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The enclosed papers are a complete and accurate copy of the above-identified papers.

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The undersigned has now discovered that the small entity status may have been erroneously established in the above referenced case. To the best knowledge of the undersigned, the small entity status was established in good faith. However, it appears that certain fees in the above referenced case may therefore have been erroneously paid at the small entity rate.

REQUEST FOR BELATED CORRECTION OF SMALL ENTITY STATUS

As required by 37 CFR 1.28 (c) applicant herewith provides payment of the deficiency between the actual amount paid, and the amount due. These amounts include:

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All errors that occurred were without deceptive intent and in good faith, to the best knowledge of the undersigned. Since rule 28c indicates that the error will be excused upon payment of the deficiency, it is respectfully suggested that this should cure any improper small entity.

No fees are believed necessary for this paper. Please apply any other charges or credits to our deposit account no. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

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